

## STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

## VINEYARD STATISTICS, 1925-26.

(Figures in parentheses refer to previous season.)

**ACREAGE.**- 50,594 (50,280) acres, increase 314 acres, making an increase of 13,933 acres in five years. The areas were classified as for Wine 30,187 (29,533) acres; Drying 19,643 (19,894) acres; Table 764 (853) acres. 45,533 (43,361) acres were shown as being of bearing age.

**GRAPE YIELD.**- The Total Yield of Grapes was 108,705 (105,424) tons, increase 3,281 tons, averaging per acre of bearing age 2.39 (2.43) tons. The yield was utilised as follows:- For Winemaking 71,358 (62,495) tons; Drying 36,284 (41,773) tons; and Table and Export 1,063 (1,156) tons.

The decrease in the Drying tonnage was due to a fairly light Sultana crop particularly in the River Murray District; also to large quantities of other Raisins and Currant Grapes being sold for Distillation Wine.

**CURRENTS.**- 103,910 (109,446) cwts; 5,536 cwts. below the 1924-25 season but 8,091 cwts. above the average of the previous five years.

**RAISINS.**- Sultanas 86,781 (98,045) cwts, decrease 11,264 cwts; All other 24,480 (41,340) cwts., decrease 16,860 cwts. The total, 111,261 (139,385) cwts., was 28,124 cwts. below the record in 1924-25 but 23,407 cwts. above the average of the preceding five years.

**WINE MADE.**- 13,074,874 (10,502,381) gallons, an increase of 2,572,493 gallons and exceeding the previous record season of 1924 by 2,318,336 gallons or 21.55 per cent.

There were increased quantities of Wine made in most districts of the State, but principally in the River Murray Districts due to larger areas coming into bearing and also to large quantities of drying grapes being sent to the Distilleries. The following are the principal Wine Districts and the quantities made in each:- Nuriootpa, Barossa, Angaston, Tanunda &c. 3,516,893 (3,993,949) gallons; McLaren Vale, Reynella &c. 2,149,928 (1,671,870) gallons; River Murray 4,572,327 (2,692,870) gallons; Burnside, Magill &c. 1,062,258 (1,035,400) gallons; Clare, Watervale &c. 546,868 (313,611) gallons; Langhorne Creek 366,637 (242,929) gallons.

Of the total vintage, 7,171,276 (5,651,704) gallons were returned as Distillation Wine for brandy and fortifying spirit.

There were 88 Wine-makers, 76 making 1,000 gallons and over.

**WINE STOCKS.**- On June 30th last the stocks of Wine, including the balance of recent vintage, totalled 13,134,200 (11,772,962) gallons, an increase of 1,361,238 gallons. Of this quantity 2,467,229 (2,329,417) gallons were reported to be the balance of distillation wine still in stock.

**EXPORTS 1925-26.**- Oversea Exports of Vineyard Production - Currants 78,570 (84,751) cwts; Raisins and Sultanas 79,200 (93,168) cwts; and Wine 1,200,313 (591,134) gallons valued at £203,506 (£92,176). In addition, Wine was exported to other States as follows:- 2,523,434 (2,231,784) gallons, valued at £760,570 (£644,755) making the grand total exports of Wine 3,723,747 (2,822,918) gallons, valued at £964,076 (£736,931).

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Season 1925-26 in Counties; Total State, Seasons 1923-24 to 1925-26  
and Average of 5 Seasons 1920-21 to 1924-25.

COUNTIES	A R E A		GRAPES GATHERED		WINE MADE Gallons
	Bearing	Not Bearing	Total	Average per Acre of Bearing age	
	Acres	Acres	Tons	Tons	
Adelaide	12,762	1,424	28,887	2.26	4,671,240
Light	11,775	1,075	17,731	1.51	2,682,846
Sturt	1,239	264	2,630	2.12	371,637
Stanley	2,975	271	5,472	1.84	546,868
Robe	228	55	623	2.73	218,496
Albert	3,120	508	11,692	3.75	551,447
Alfred	887	100	2,601	2.93	61,245
Hamley	703	186	1,006	1.43	11,460
Other Counties	11,844	1,178	38,063	3.21	3,959,635
Total 1925-26	45,533	5,061	108,705	2.39	13,074,874
Average 5 previous Seasons	35,097	9,787	87,811	2.50	8,835,231
Total 1924-25	43,361	6,919	105,424	2.43	10,502,381
Total 1923-24	38,455	10,848	110,295	2.87	10,756,538

COUNTIES	Wine in Stock 30th June	DRIED FRUITS		
		Currants	Raisins	
			Sultanas	All other
Adelaide	5,181,289	9,005	70	40
Light	4,937,940	7,747	18	272
Sturt	337,345	2,935	949	63
Stanley	487,739	14,576	217	-
Robe	18,201	-	-	-
Albert	155,179	19,055	14,019	16,224
Alfred	49,620	5,745	5,901	2,268
Hamley	1,932,109	44,047	65,594	5,613
Other Counties	34,878	800	13	-
Total 1925-26.	13,134,200	103,910	86,781	24,480
Average 5 previous Seasons	9,438,946	95,819	57,010	30,844
Total, 1924-25	11,772,962	109,446	98,045	41,340
Total, 1923-24	11,275,815	131,000	82,838	42,168.

Statistical Office, Adelaide,

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